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# CAMELLIAS

The seasons come and go with their varying tributes of bloom, each with its following of enthusiastic admirers; but it would seem that, with the bursting of the first Camellia buds, all people unite in paying homage to this altogether lovely and distinguished flower.

We have a wide variety in size, form and color of bloom. There are the exquisite single kinds with their showy, golden stamens, the informal doubles and the semi-doubles, and many double types of such perfect symmetry as to seem artificial. The color scale runs from purest white through almost every shade of pink and red and an infinite variety of variegations. Flowering begins in October, and continues through the winter to the end of April. As a cut flower, the camellia is a worthy rival of the orchid and, as a decorative evergreen that may be depended upon for luxuriant foliage throughout the year, it is unsurpassed.

Camellias are easy to grow. Select a location in semi-shade, preferably protected from the afternoon sun, and prepare a well-drained soil, using one-third peat moss, one-third well-rotted screened leaf-mold (free from alkali) and one-third good sandy loam, as they like an acid soil condition. Fertilize with special Camellia fertilizer with a cottonseed meal base, in April, June and August, working it in lightly as the roots are close to the surface. It will be to your advantage to consult us freely on their culture.

PRICES, according to size and variety:

	Standard Varieties	New and Rare Varieties
1 gal. containers.....	\$ .75 to 1.50	\$ 2.00 to 3.00
7 and 8 in. pots.....	2.00 to 3.50	2.50 to 5.00
5 gal. containers.....	2.50 to 5.00	5.00 to 7.50
Tubs.....	3.50 to 10.00	7.50 to 15.00
Balled.....	3.50 and up	7.50 and up
Large specimens.....	12.50 to 35.00	15.00 to 50.00

The new and rare varieties marked with an asterisk \*  
Period of bloom indicated by months after each variety.

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# CAMELLIA JAPONICA

## white

### **ALBA PLENA:\***

True type and justly rated the best of all white sorts, with snow-white chiffon-like flowers, to 4" in diameter, of incredible symmetry. The blooms of this Camellia have, in years past, retailed as high as \$12.00 per dozen. A good grower and free bloomer; of bushy, spreading habit. Foliage a lighter green than most kinds. Nov.-Mar.

### **ALBA PLENA FIMBRIATA:\***

Rare. Blooms like the above in every respect except the petals are gracefully imbricated and fringed on the edges. Not quite so vigorous a grower, but a more exquisite flower would be hard to imagine. Jan.-Mar.

### **AMABILIS:\***

Rare. A tall grower, bearing in profusion wide open single flowers of good size. The stamens flare, displaying the showy golden anthers to great effect. A rapid grower, with the best of foliage. One of the choicest. Jan.-Apr.

### **CAPRICE:**

A double creamy white, with high center and gardenia-like texture, from 4 to 5 in. in diameter. The name is derived from its habit of sending its stamens out irregularly throughout the petals. This bushy type with its heavy dark green foliage is distinct and charming. Jan.-Mar.

### **DEAREST:**

Rare. It is indeed difficult to describe this distinguished flower. A large semi-double, of perfect form, whose swirled petals of wondrous texture surround the showy golden stamens, stiffly erect. A prolific bloomer, of compact habit and perfect foliage, this camellia leaves little to be desired. Dec.-Mar.

### **LOTUS:\***

The largest of the semi-double whites. Its exquisite water-lily form shows to advantage its spectacular golden stamens. Profuse bloomer. Of rapid and upright habit of growth, with long, glossy, dark green, pendulant foliage, corresponding in size to its enormous flowers. New and rare, and positively the last word in Camellias. Jan.-Apr.

### **MATHOTTIANA:**

Large, full, symmetrical, double, with heavy wax-like petals, occasionally tinged with red. A late bloomer; of sturdy, spreading habit. Mar.-May.

### **MRS. FRED SAUNDERS:\***

A semi-double white flower, 4" across; rich green foliage and a strong grower. Jan.-Mar.

### **NOBILISSIMA:**

A pure white, with tightly curled formal paeony center edged with a double row of broader petals. Medium sized blooms. A tall upright grower and free bloomer. Nov.-Mar.

### **PURITY:**

One of the loveliest. Pure white and perfectly symmetrical in shape. Flowers unusually large and beautiful, borne in great abundance. Tall, rapid grower. No good collection is complete without at least one of these. Jan.-Mar.

### **THE SWAN:**

This rather prostrate type bears its semi-double flowers in great profusion and is entirely different from any other

Camellia we know. It lends itself charmingly to use in pots, tubs or hanging baskets; is extremely bushy and grows to 4 ft. Jan.-Mar.

### **SNOW MAIDEN:**

An upright and vigorous grower, bearing quantities of small quaint flowers with incurved petal edges. Particularly lovely for table decoration and corsages. Jan.-Mar.

## variegated

### **ARGENTINITA:**

A fluffy semi-double of medium size. Softest pink streaked and spotted in rose. The attractive stamens are interestingly interspersed throughout the crisp petals. It has a somewhat spreading growth habit, splendid foliage and bounteous bloom. Dec.-Mar.

### **BELLE JEANNETTE:**

A large double rose-red, softly flecked in white. Symmetrical in form. A strong grower with excellent foliage. Jan.-Mar.

### **BELLE ROMANA:**

The most distinctively Japanese of all Camellias. Large, full double flowers, to 4 in. across, of a rose-pink crepey texture, overlaid with fine streaks of a darker color. Scarce and very unusual. Jan.-Mar.

### **BLEICHROEDER:\***

This large double (though symmetrical) camellia is of the softest pink, streaked in crimson. Has splendid foliage and a bushy compact habit of growth. Late Dec. into Feb.

### **CHANDLERI ELEGANS:**

An enormous paeony-flowered variety to 7 in. across. The center is a tightly curled ball of overlapped petaloids edged with a broad double frill of larger petals. Soft rose, with irregular white variegations. Bushy, vigorous and a very free bloomer. Unusually fine dark green foliage. A superb variety and striking when used espalier on walls and trellises. Dec.-Mar.

### **DAI KAGURA:**

Bright rose red splotched with white. A large, full double Camellia, with center petals reduced in size, and often twisted and curled. Almost as large as Chandleri, which it resembles, but more brilliant. Possesses strikingly beautiful foliage and is one of the first to bloom in the early Fall. Oct.-Mar.

### **DONKLAERI:\***

Rare. Large petaled, double and one of the freest bloomers. Deep cherry-red marbled with pure white. Stamens stand erect and open at the center to show a mass of deep gold anthers. Intense, unfading color. Makes a very compact shrub. Very good. Jan.-Mar.

### **FANNY BOLIS:**

Very desirable. An extremely large semi-double in soft rose-red blotched with white. Inner petals are smaller and curled about the showy mass of golden anthered stamens at the center. A large bushy type and one of the largest flowered of all the Camellias. Jan.-Mar.

### **HIKARI GENGI (Jordan's Pride):**

Known as the fragrant Camellia. A large fluffy double in light pink margined in white and streaked with a deeper pink. Golden stamens show when the flower is fully open. Blooms heavily and is a vigorous grower. Jan.-Mar.

## **MARGARET JACK:\***

A large artistic semi-double white, finely streaked with crimson. Very clean cut and different and distinctively superior from many standpoints. A compact habit of growth, with fine foliage. Worthy of a place in the best collections. One of our most recent introductions. Jan.-Apr.

## **PANACHE:**

A large, slightly flattened double flower in softest pink with lighter variegations. Has the most abundant foliage of all Camellias. Spreading habit of growth. Blooms over a long period from Dec. to Apr.

## **PIERETTE:**

New. A large, fluffy, extremely double flesh color, with bright cherry-red stripings. Bushy and spreading. One of the most exquisite Camellias. Jan.-Mar.

## **QUEEN OF HEARTS:**

The informal semi-double flowers of this bewitching Camellia are, for the greater part, white streaked with a soft rose pink, but an occasional flower or group of flowers will be entirely pink, making the plant particularly attractive and desirable. A quick grower, of open, upright habit. Jan.-Mar.

## **WAKANOURA VARIEGATA:\***

Is a dazzling beauty. Its waxy-white semi-double flowers, with petals slightly cupped, are vividly streaked with carmine. Good foliage and erect habit of growth. Jan.-Mar.

# pink

## **APPLEBLOSSOM:**

Has dainty trumpet-shaped blossoms of opalescent pink, borne on a compact shrub with small deep green leaves. Dec.-Feb.

## **CHIFFON:**

The name suggests the clear, transparent texture of this truly lovely semi-double. Clear pink without shading or markings of any sort. Blooms freely and is of open, vigorous growth. Jan.-Mar.

## **DELLA ROBBIA:**

Rare. Although listed under the pink camellias, this exquisite flower is really white with a pale lilac overtone. A semi-double of moderate size and gardenia-like texture that is truly a departure from the accepted colors of camellias. Dec.-Mar.

## **FRANCINE:**

A huge, clear rose pink, of the paeony type, like a nosegay with a lace frill. Identical with Chandleri elegans in foliage and flowers, but without variegation. Dec.-Mar.

## **GRANDIFLORA ROSEA:\***

Its huge picturesque flower is of the semi-double type, with broad petals of a brilliant salmon rose, arranged interestingly around a bright yellow center of long stamens. An upright grower, with excellent foliage. It must be seen to be fully appreciated. Jan.-Apr.

## **JUDITH:**

Foliage deep, rich green. Flowers clear pink, trumpet shaped, borne from January to March. A dainty delicate Camellia quite different from any other. Growth stiffly erect.



## **JOHN LAING:**

Medium sized, compact, symmetrical, double. Soft rose-salmon pink and not unlike Pink Perfection in form. Very desirable for corsages. Vigorous much branched growth. Foliage small and glossy. Jan.-Mar.

## **KUMASAKA:\***

A large, fluffy double of glowing pink. The center petals are curled and twisted to reveal a mass of golden stamens. An erect and vigorous grower and heavy bloomer. Rarely beautiful and one of the most sought after of all Camellias. Jan.-Mar.

## **MARCHIONESS OF EXETER:\***

A glowing lustrous candy pink of exceptional beauty. Perfect in form and arrangement of its numerous petals. Gigantic in size, yet of graceful proportions. The plant has a low and spreading habit of growth, and attractive foliage. No collection is complete without this extraordinary variety. Dec.-Mar.

## **PERUCHINI:**

Deep rose paeony shaped flower of medium size. Vigorous, upright grower with bold handsome foliage. Dec.-Mar.

## **PINK PERFECTION:**

This old favorite still ranks as one of the most desirable. The medium sized flowers are a shell pink, exquisite in their symmetry and delicate texture. Freest blooming of all and makes a magnificent specimen. Blooms intermittently from Oct. to Mar.

## **RHAPSODY:\***

Its gay rose-pink unusually large flower is a full semi-double, measuring between 6 and 7 inches across and displaying numerous golden-yellow stamens. Good foliage and a strong grower. Jan.-Mar.

## **ROSALIE:**

This charming Camellia is a large symmetrical double in variable rose. A good grower and heavy bloomer with clean sturdy foliage. Should have a place in every collection. Dec.-Mar.

## **ROSE QUEEN:**

Closely resembles Busch Garden Red in form, except it blooms somewhat earlier and has narrower foliage. Jan.-Mar.

## **ROSITA:**

Rose-pink flowers of medium size—closely double and of perfect form. Bushy vigorous grower. One of the finest late bloomers. Feb.-Apr.

## **SEASHELL:**

A small variegated semi-double, in dusky pink penciled in a deeper tone. Has very good foliage and makes a most attractive shrub. Feb.-Mar.

## **VALENTINE:**

An informal semi-double of great charm. The soft pink cup shaped flowers contrast interestingly with the sulphur-yellow stamens. A quick grower, of open, upright habit. Jan.-Mar.

## **VALVAREDA:**

Many Camellia growers contend that this is the finest of all Camellias. Cup shaped, of perfect symmetry, with pale pink center petals shading to a deeper rose on the outer petals. A strong grower, well branched and with the finest foliage imaginable. Jan.-Mar.



# red

## **ALOHA:\***

A full paeony type, in a dark salmon-rose. Very large and one of the most magnificent Camellias we propagate. Oct.-Feb.

## **BUSCH GARDEN RED:**

Somewhat formal close petalled type, of good form and size. Deep rose red. Habit of growth compact and spreading. Feb.-Mar.

## **COVINA:**

An informal, double rose-red, of bright and lasting color. Blooms freely over a long period and makes a fine compact, bushy specimen. Effective in pots or tubs. It has a charm all its own. Jan.-Apr.

## **COLONEL FIREY:\***

New and rare. This huge Camellia, the dark red of a Hadley rose, seems almost artificial in its exquisite symmetry. Is from 4 to 5 in. in diameter, rather flat in form and one of the freest flowering and most admired of all Camellias. A true aristocrat. Jan.-Apr.

## **ELENA NOBILE:\***

Quite unique is this flame-red double Camellia, opening to show a mass of golden stamens. A strong grower and late bloomer, commanding attention because of its unusual shade of red. Mar.-May.

## **OTOME RED:**

New. Deep cherry-red flowers of medium size. Informal broad petals, double, the yellow stamens showing at the center. Very bushy grower—dark, abundant foliage. Jan.-Mar.

## **PROFESSOR CHARLES S. SARGENT:\***

New and rare. A truly magnificent Camellia of the full paeony type. The entire flower is a dark red ball of incurved petaloids, edged by a frill of broader petals, 4 in. in diameter; free flowering and a sturdy grower. Nothing finer. Jan.-Mar.

## **RAINY SUN:**

A very large loose petaled semi-double. Reminds one of a hibiscus and is almost as large. Deep rose-red. One of the heaviest and most colorful bloomers in the garden. Dec.-Feb.

## **ROBIN HOOD (Wakanoura):\***

New. A gallant semi-double in rich cherry-red. The petals stand out stiffly separated from each other with the edges of each cupped slightly inward. Very showy and an erect grower. Jan.-Mar.

## **ROMANY:**

Closely resembling Pink Perfection in form and size. Their rosy-red blossoms are among the first to appear in early winter. This unfading, clean-cut type is very desirable for corsages. Oct.-Feb.

## **TE DEUM:\***

New. Very large double, brilliant red, of paeony form, Resembles Prof. Sargent but with looser and larger petaloids. Large, lustrous foliage, fast grower and generous bloomer. Unusually beautiful. Jan.-Mar.



A limited number of combinations in varieties now available.

# CAMELLIA SASANQUA, *New*

If you are an admirer of the artless and ethereal in flowers, we know the group of Camellias known as the Sasanquas will completely win your heart. In direct contrast to the Japonicas, they are entirely lacking in formal symmetry, either of blossom or habit of growth. The majority have single or semi-double flowers and possess the fragrance, as well as the appearance, of the wild rose.

On account of their loose branched, semi-trailing habit of growth, some of them are very charming as a ground covering and most of them are adapted to espalier treatment on trellis, fence or wall. Their cultural requirements are the same as for other Camellias.

## APPLE BLOSSOM:

Closely resembles its namesake with its single blossoms and its pink and white coloring. Upright habit and small green foliage. Oct.-Jan.

## BLANCHETTE:

Is a pure white, single, which reminds one of dogwood bloom. Very sturdy and upright, with dainty grey-green foliage. Oct.-Jan.

## BRIAR ROSE:

Single, of a soft, clear pink which resembles the wild rose. Has a small dark green foliage and a flaring habit of growth which makes it admirable for pleaching. Oct.-Jan.

## HEBE:

Exquisite single deep rose-pink. Flowers borne in profusion. Growth upright and spreading—very vigorous. Bronzy green foliage. Oct.-Feb.

## MININA:

Is one of the largest flowering and loveliest of the pink Sasanquas with charming foliage and spreading habit of growth. Very fine for espalier treatment. Oct.-Jan.

## TANYA:

Deep rose. Foliage dark and glossy, habit rather weeping. Delicately beautiful with its deep colored, fragile petals against dark foliage. Oct.-Dec.

## WHITE DOVES:

Words are inadequate to describe the delicate beauty of this trailing sort, with its quantities of feathery, double, snowy flowers. It is lovely when used as a wall or ground cover, but may also be trained on fences or trellises. Oct.-Feb.



From early October through April, the numerous varieties offer a continuous and everchanging pageant of thousands of blooms. You may feel free to come in and enjoy them at any time.